# DECLARATION

As a below-named inventor, I(we) hereby declare that:

#### TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration	is c	f the	following	type:
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	original
	design
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	continuation

continuation-in-part (CIP)

# INVENTORSHIP DECLARATION

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Method For Making Electronic Modules With Ball Connector Or With Integrated Preforms Capable Of Being Soldered On A Printed Circuit And Implementing Device

the specification of which:

a)		is being filed concurrently herewith
b)		was filed on and assigned Serial No
c)	⊠	was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/FR00/00018 filed on 1/6/2000
		and amended under PCT Article 19 on

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

### PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me having the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
FR	99/01390	05/02/1999	≅ YES □ NO
			□ YES □ NO
			□ YES □ NO
			□ YES □ NO

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35 United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application identified below.

U.S. APPLIC	CATIONS
APPLICATION NUMBER	U.S. FILING DATE
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# CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATIONS(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. §120

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States applications(s) or PCT international applications(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below.

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PCT AP	PLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S.			
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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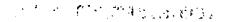
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# **VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (ASSIGNEE FORM)**

- I, Francis Bourrieres, President of Societe Novatec S.A. which has its principal place of business at 350, avenue d'Italie, Z.A. Albasud, F-8200 Montrauban, France (hereinafter "the Company"), hereby state that:
- 1. I am empowered to act on behalf of the Company in making the following statements to establish status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §1.9.
- 2. By assignment of all right, title and interest in and to the invention identified above, the Company is the owner of the subject matter of the patent application identified above.
- 3. The Company has not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed any rights in and to the invention, and is not under any obligation, contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license any rights to said invention to any other party.
  - 4. The Company is a business concern which presently employs less than 500 persons.
- 5. Based upon the above facts, it is believed that the Company is a Small Business for paying reduced fees as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d).
- 6. The Company acknowledges its duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate (37 C.F.R. §1.28(b)).
- 7. The Company hereby declares that all statements made herein of its own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Dated this 27	_ day of	MARCH	_, 2001.	
(Company N	Name) Societ	e Novatec S.A.		
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(Signature)	By:			
(typed name	)	Francis Bourrie	eres	
(title)	Its:	President		
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### UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM ASSIGNEE

As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above identified patent application, Societe Novatec S.A. hereby appoint all practitioners of <u>Customer No. 490</u> to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I hereby authorize them to act and rely on instructions from, and to communicate directly with, the firm or person which sent this case to Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus, P.A., unless or until I instruct Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus P.A., in writing to the contrary.

Address all correspondence to Walter J. Steinkraus at Customer Number 490.

Dated this	day day	of	nfRet . 2001.	
	(Company Name)	<u>Societ</u>	te Novatec S.A.	
	(Signature)	Ву:		
	(typed name)		Francis Bourrières	
	(title)	Its:	President	

